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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 20, 2002, please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Claims:

*Please cancel claims 1-23 and 27 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.



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Sir:

Enclosed are the following in response to the Detailed Action of 6/20/02:

- 1. Response To Restriction Requirement And Preliminary Amendment
- 2. Return Postcard receipt

Since the one month deadline, 7/20/02, fell on a Saturday, I am submitting this response on Monday, 7/22/02, which falls within the one month deadline. The amended claims also contain fewer independent (4) and dependent (22) claims than included in the submitted patent application, which had 5 independent and 22 dependent claims.

As such, no additional payments are included with this restriction and amendment response.

Very Respectfully,

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